

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/966,703

Examiner

Thomas Duong

Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to July 31, 2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 16 and 18-48.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 7/30/07
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. The Applicants' arguments and amendments filed on July 31, 2007 have been fully considered and are persuasive.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. *Claims 6 and 18-48 are allowed. The claims indicated include limitations that the prior arts of record do not appear to teach or render obvious, hence they are allowed.*
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

As presented in the previous Office Action, Luzeski et al. (US006430177B1) discloses, *"The present invention provides Universal Messaging services to subscribers that may utilize the Internet to access their messages. The invention integrates an e-mail messaging system with a voice/fax messaging system on a messaging platform computer. E-mail messages are stored in an e-mail message store, and voice and/or fax messages are stored in a separate store controlled, e.g., by a Voice Mail Message Manager (VMMM). Subscribers can access messages from a personal computer via the Internet using a standard Web browser with a Java applet that present each subscriber with a "universal inbox" that displays all of that subscriber's voice, fax, and e-mail messages. A Web platform controls the Web browser interface to the messaging platform, accepting requests from the Web browser (such as a request to read an e-mail or listen to a voice mail) and passing prescribed types of information back to the Web*

browser. The Web platform interfaces with the messaging platform via a generic TCP/IP interface/router. A Session Manager application manages the Web browser's "session" with the messaging system. A CMC layer in the messaging platform provides the "glue" to enable communication and control between and among the different message stores. The CMC layer provides an industry standard mechanism for providing a standard API through which access to proprietary message stores can be made" (Luzeski, col.3, line 47 - col.4, line 4).

Also presented in the previous Office Action, Combar et al. (US006515968B1) discloses, *"The present invention thus provides a web/Internet based reporting tool for generating traffic statistics data as specialized reports and/or data files to subscribers who subscribe to the special service call processing service provided by the network; and, via the public internet: i) provides the ability to download call statistics from a database of the TVS system so that a subscriber can format and design his own reports; ii) provides a subscriber with the ability to instruct the system to provide reports on a particular given time through a particular method; iii) provides reports to subscribers that include greater call details of their subscribed special service calls than other previous systems and methods; and iv) provides real time enhanced call detail records to subscribers so that a subscriber can monitor in real time the operation of the network, so as to be able to effect the necessary changes expeditiously" (Combar, col.4, lines 45-63).*

However, the prior arts of record fail to teach or suggest individually or in combination as stated in the independent claims for *"an information briefs function that includes the user's name and password information and, when the user is recognized, the information briefs function presents customized information that greets the user at activation, the customized information including identification information of others who are authorized*

to make use of the communications manager, the customized information including preferences for times of communications, the communications manager accessing a database storing information on new wireless users and, when the user's name present in the database, the communications manager obtaining the user's mobile phone number from the database; a directories function allowing the user to create and to access information resources, the directories function including features that provide guidance to the user when checking the information resources; a message center function allowing the user to view and access telephone call messages, electronic mail messages, voicemail messages, facsimile message, and paging messages, the message center function also permitting the user to initiate communications and telephone calls, the message center function obtaining directory information from the directories function to set up a communication template for a preferred mode of communication; a message log function providing summaries of new and sent communications, the message log function also providing an activity log that tracks the user's communications activity; a calendar and scheduler function, allowing the user to establish notifications regarding an electronic calendar; and an account information function exchanging the user's name and password information to allow the user to view account information, to configure services, to obtain help information from a service provider, and to access a third party's subscription center to purchase products and services;" and in combination with other limitations as set forth in the independent claims, as well as Applicants' arguments presented on pages 17-22 of the After Non-Final Amendment filed on July 31, 2007.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany

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the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thomas Duong whose telephone number is 571/272-3911. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7:30AM - 4:00PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jason D. Cardone can be reached on 571/272-3933. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 571/273-8300 for regular communications and 571/273-8300 for After Final communications.

Thomas Duong (AU2145)

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Cardone", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jason D. Cardone

Supervisory PE (AU2145)